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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re the Application of: Group Art Unit: 2876 Rando et al. Examiner: not yet assigned Serial No.: 09/745,302 Filed: December 20, 2000 For: SCANNER WITH COUPON 2800 HAIL ROOM **VALIDATION** INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b), that is (1) 冈 within three months of the filing date of the application, which is not a continued prosecution application filed under § 1.53(d); or (2) within three months of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.491; or (3) before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits; or (4) before the mailing of a first Office action after filing a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Thus, no fee is required.

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